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LETTER OF TRANSMISSION

To His Excellency,

O. MAX GARDNER,

Governor of North Carolina.

SIR:—In compliance with Chapter 714 of the Public Laws of 1907, I have the honor to submit herewith for your Excellency's consideration the Biennial Report of the North Carolina Historical Commission for July 1, 1930-June 30, 1932.

Respectfully,

M. C. S. NOBLE,

Chairman.

RALEIGH, N. C., JULY 1, 1932.



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BIENNIAL REPORT OF THE SECRETARY
OF THE
North Carolina Historical Commission

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To M. C. S. NOBLE, *Chairman*, AND HERIOT CLARKSON, MRS. THOMAS O'BERRY, MISS NELL BATTLE LEWIS, AND R. D. W. CONNOR, *Commissioners*:

I have the honor to submit the following report of the North Carolina Historical Commission for the period, July 1, 1930-June 30, 1932:

ORGANIZATION

I. THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION.

On June 10, 1931, Governor O. Max Gardner reappointed Thomas M. Pittman and M. C. S. Noble as Commissioners for the term April 1, 1931-March 31, 1937.

Thomas M. Pittman, member of the Historical Commission since 1911 and chairman since 1923, died at his home in Henderson, February 8, 1932. At a meeting of the Historical Commission on March 25, 1932, it was directed that the following sketch be incorporated in the Fourteenth Biennial Report:

Thomas Merritt Pittman, member of the North Carolina Historical Commission since 1911, chairman since 1923, and the third chairman since the creation of the Commission in 1903, died at his home in Henderson, February 8, 1932. Born in Franklin County, November 24, 1857, of Alfred H. and Elizabeth Alston Neathery Pittman, and educated in the local schools, he read law in the offices of Guion and Fleming of Charlotte and practiced his profession with notable success in Charlotte from 1878 to 1885 and in Henderson from 1885 until his death. He was a judge of the Superior Court, 1923-24. Genteel, scholarly and cultured, Judge Pittman was deeply interested in the past, present, and future of his native State. With industry, zeal and discrimination he collected a notable private library of North Caroliniana; and his research and literary skill bore fruit in the production of numerous historical articles and addresses. He was a charter member of the State Literary and Historical Association and was honored with its presidency in 1925-26.

Judge Pittman's intelligent, faithful, happy and useful labor as a member of the Historical Commission for 21 years and as chairman for 9 years was a splendid example of noble and productive public service. His deep interest, stimulating activity, and sound guidance heartened his associates and contributed greatly to the rapid expansion of the Commission's activity in collecting, preserving and publishing the sources of North Carolina history and to the establishment in 1924 of the *North Carolina Historical Review*. The Commission deeply laments the loss which it and the State have suffered in the death of its chairman.

On February 15, Governor Gardner appointed R. D. W. Connor, head of the department of history at the University of North Carolina, to fill the unexpired term of Thomas M. Pittman, ending March 31, 1937.

The Historical Commission on March 25 elected M. C. S. Noble as Chairman to succeed Thomas M. Pittman; Heriot Clarkson as vice chairman; and M. C. S. Noble, Heriot Clarkson and Mrs. Thomas O'Berry as executive committee.

II. OFFICE FORCE.

The regular office force of the Historical Commission for the period covered by this report was as follows:

Secretary—A. R. Newsome.
 Legislative Reference Librarian—H. M. London.
 Chief Library Assistant—D. L. Corbitt.
 Collector, Hall of History—Fred A. Olds.
 Restorer of Manuscripts—Mrs. J. M. Winfree.
 Senior Stenographer Clerk—Miss Sophie D. Busbee.
 Senior Library Assistant—Mrs. W. S. West.
 Legislative Reference Assistant—Mrs. W. J. Peele.
 Manuscript Copyist—Mrs. Julia C. Meconnahey.
 Janitor-Messenger—Edward Freeman.

ACCESSIONS

I. ADDITIONS TO COLLECTIONS.

1. Personal Papers:

Randolph A. Shotwell Papers. 1 letter. Presented by Dr. William Anderson, Blacksburg, S. C.
 Zebulon B. Vance Papers. Photographs of Vance and son, Tommy. Presented by Mrs. W. H. Roger, Oakland, Ind.
 Nathaniel Macon Papers. Memorial and letter to Macon, 1806.
 Michaux-Randolph Papers, 1745-1902. 8 letters and documents and a volume, *A Concise Account of the Rise of Camp Meetings*. Loaned by Mrs. T. M. McConnell, Greensboro.
 L. O'B. Branch Papers. 6 letters, commissions, and dispatches, 1861-62.
 Fred A. Olds Papers. 27 letters, 1887-1923.
 B. C. Beckwith Collection. 3 pieces, 1862-63.
 John H. Bryan Papers. 4 pieces, 1864.
 Jonathan Worth Papers. 9 letters from and 3 to Worth, 1831-89. Presented by C. W. Worth, Wilmington.
 Pettigrew Papers. Copy of letter from James J. Pettigrew to John W. Hinsdale.
 Charles Brantley Aycock Papers. Newspaper clippings and copy of a letter presented by Dr. Clarence Poe, Raleigh; 1 letter, presented by R. W. Winston, Chapel Hill.
 George E. Badger Papers. 1 piece, 1845.
 Gen. Daniel H. Hill Papers, 1848-89. 14 letters from J. E. Johnston, John C. Calhoun, D. H. Hill, James A. Seddon, G. T. Beauregard, T. J. Jackson, J. Longstreet, etc., and Gen. Lee's Order 111, Sept. 9, 1862, in Jackson's handwriting with attached affidavit. Presented by the children of Gen. Hill.
 C. H. Wiley Papers. 1 letter from Wiley to Norwood, 1849.
 Francis Nash Collection. 36 letters and 1 circular, 1790-1863. Presented by Francis Nash, Raleigh.
 Chas. P. Bolles Papers. 65 letters, commissions, bonds, bills, etc., 1862-1922. Presented by Miss Hannah Bolles, Wilmington.

2. County Records:

During the biennium, 9 volumes and 12,000 documents of county archives have been obtained from 23 counties, chiefly by deposit of the clerks of court in accordance with Chap. 714, Public Laws of 1907.

Burke. 253 inventories of estates, 1786-1853; 45 lists of taxables, 1818-24;

33 deeds, 1794-1856; 79 wills, 1821-94; 303 court papers, 1776-1868; 1,173 marriage bonds.

Carteret. 1 marriage bond.

Chowan. 433 wills, 1694-1808; 45 inventories, administrators' bonds, etc., 1764-77.

Cumberland. 333 wills; 33 inventories of estates, 1757-92; 29 court papers, 1766-1837; 14 lists of taxables, 1787; 2 deeds, 1757, 1815; 1 list of lots in Fayetteville, 1786.

Duplin. 61 inventories and divisions of estates, 1761-1804.

Franklin. 31 wills, 1794-1844; 1 petition, 1824.

Guilford. County Court Minutes, 1858-62, 1865-68, 2 volumes.

Halifax. 1 apprentice bond, 1828; tax list of first district, 1863.

Johnston. 1 deed, 1820.

Jones. 232 wills, 1760-1842.

Lenoir. 1 marriage bond.

Nash. 558 wills, 1778-1860.

New Hanover. 368 wills, 1732-64.

Onslow. 52 inventories and accounts of estates, 1782-90; 337 wills, 1746-1840.

Orange. 994 wills, 1785-1865; 14 common school papers, 1847-52; court papers, 1783-1881, 2 boxes.

Pasquotank. 471 wills, 1720-1804.

Perquimans. 142 tax lists, 1742-1837; 122 miscellaneous papers, 1738-1846; 56 inventories of estates, 1738-1837; 3 muster rolls, 1789, 1821, 1826; 2 lists of inhabitants, 1781. Sent by Mrs. Watson Winslow, Hertford.

Pitt. Will of Benjamin May, 1805, presented by Miss Tabitha M. DeVisconte, Farmville.

Rowan. Tax lists, 1802-04, 1807, 1809-14, 1841-49, four volumes; 8 tax lists, 1863-66; 42 wills, 1805-26; 49 widows' dowers and settlements of estates, 1796-1861; 46 letters to Montfort Stokes, 1788-1810; 1,227 marriage bonds.

Rutherford. County Court Minutes, 1810-13, and Appearance Docket, October court, 1807, 1 vol.

Surry. County Court Minutes, 1779-80, 12 pages; 3 court papers, 1771-74.

Warren. County Court Minutes, 1780-83, 1 vol.; Marriage Certificates, 1851-67, 1 vol.; 1,166 accounts, inventories, divisions of estates, 1799-1825; 952 guardians' bonds and accounts, 1799-1825; 518 court papers, 1790-1829; 340 administrators' bonds, 1800-25; 172 apprentice bonds, 1800-25; 224 constables' bonds, 1800-25; 211 tavern bonds, 1800-25. 178 officers' bonds, 1784-1825; 21 powers of attorney, 1800-18; 7 commissions of justice of peace, 1817-24; 221 wills.

Wilkes. 137 wills, 1779-1852; 92 miscellaneous bonds, 1786-1820; 57 court papers; 1777-87; 6 inventories, 1792.

3. *Executive Records:*

Richard Caswell, 1776-80, 1785-87. 1 piece.

William Miller, 1813-17. 1 piece.

Gabriel Holmes, 1821-24. 46 letters.

Edward B. Dudley, 1836-41. 65 letters.

John M. Morehead, 1841-45. 78 letters.

David S. Reid, 1851-54. 11 letters.

Henry T. Clark, 1861-62. 8 letters.

John W. Ellis, 1859-61. Photostats of two letters—governor of S. C. to governor of La., and governor of N. C. to governor of S. C., 1860, relating to secession. Presented by C. W. Ramsdell, Austin, Texas.

Zebulon B. Vance, 1862-65. 5 letters.

W. W. Holden, 1865, 1868-70. 1 letter.

Alfred M. Scales, 1885-89. 1 letter.

R. B. Glenn, 1905-09. 1 letter.

Minutes of the Council of State, 1889-1924. 1 volume.

4. *Secretary of State's Papers:*

Administration Bonds. 1563 pieces.
 Letters to Secretary of State. 328 letters.
 Letters and papers, 1879-1907. 226 pieces.
 List of Conveyances, 1740-57. 2 pieces.
 Railroad papers, 1835-76. 21 pieces.
 Surveys and warrants, 1803-81. 31 pieces.

5. *Superintendent of Public Instruction's Papers:*

1,083 letters to the Superintendent, 1868-1917.
 613 county reports on schools, etc., 1872-87.

6. *Provincial Congress Papers:*

Oath and signatures of the members of the Fifth Provincial Congress, 1776.

7. *Superior Court Records:*

Craven Rough Minutes, spring term, 1877. 12 pages.

8. *Legislative Papers:*

Three undated petitions from citizens of Cumberland and Bladen counties.

9. *Newspapers:*

606 issues of 71 different newspapers have been secured:

Alumni News (Raleigh). 1923—March. In the Daniel Harvey Hill Papers.

Asheville Daily Citizen. 1895—November 28; 1898—August 5. In the Davidson Papers.

Biblical Recorder (Raleigh: J. D. Hufham, editor; weekly). 1864—November 30.

Central Reflector (Pittsborough: Henry Ward, editor and publisher; weekly). 1833—June 7. Presented by Henry M. London, Raleigh.

Crop Reporter (Washington, D. C.). 1904—August. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.

Daily Confederate (Raleigh: D. K. McRae and A. M. Gorman, editors, January 10, 1865; D. K. McRae, editor, February 23). 1865—January 10, February 23.

Franklin Progress (Louisburg: Wm. W. Boddie, editor and publisher; weekly). 1906—May 24. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.

Free Press (Tarboro: George Howard, editor; weekly). 1825—September 2. Presented by Stuart Hill, 15 Park Row, New York City.

Gold Leaf (Henderson: Thad R. Manning, publisher; weekly). 1908—October 15. In the Thomas M. Pittman Collection.

Lincoln Progress (Lincolnton: Monroe Seagle, editor; weekly). 1873—May 13, 17. Presented by D. A. Seagle, Lincolnton.

Monthly Bulletin (Raleigh: Board of Agriculture). 1883—May; 1884—April. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.

Newbern Progress (E. L. Davenport and George Mills Jay, publishers). 1862—April 16. Presented by Alfred Williams, Raleigh.

Our Living and Our Dead; or Testimony from the Battlefield (Newbern: Stephen D. Pool, editor; weekly; name changed to *Our Living and Our Dead*, Sept. 3, 1873). 1873—July 30, August 20, 27, September 3, 10, 17, 24, October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, November 12, 26. Presented by Van Wyck Hoke, Yanceyville. 1874—May 27, June 17. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.

Southern Home (Charlotte: D. H. Hill, editor). 1877—May 7. In the Daniel Harvey Hill Papers.

Southern Illustrated News (Richmond: Ayers and Wade, editors and proprietors; weekly). 1863—February 7, 14, 21, 28, March 7, 14, July 25, August 1, 8, 15, September 12, 19, 26, October 3, 10, 24, 31.

Southern Literary Messenger (Richmond: G. W. Bagby, editor, 1863; F. H. Alfriend, editor, 1864). 1863—October, November-December; 1864—January, February, April, May, June. Presented by Mrs. S. S. Nash, Tarboro.

- St. Augustine Record* (Raleigh: E. H. Goold, editor). 1920—commencement number. In the Daniel Harvey Hill Papers.
- The Asheville Citizen*. 1902—March 13. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Asheville News and Western Farmer* (Robert M. Stokes, editor and publisher). 1868—March 12. In the Davidson Papers.
- The Austin Statesman* (Austin, Tex.). 1908—August 1. In the Davidson Papers.
- The Causasian* (Goldsboro: Marion Butler, editor and proprietor; weekly). 1893—August 31; 1895—September 12; 1896—June 11, August 13. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Chatham Record* (Pittsboro: O. J. Peterson, editor and publisher; weekly). 1931—October 15, 22. Presented by Henry M. London, Raleigh.
- The Clayton News* (Clayton: W. S. Penn, editor; weekly). 1917—July 5.
- The Commonwealth* (Scotland Neck: N. S. Smith, editor; weekly). 1921—April 14. In the Daniel Harvey Hill Papers.
- The Communicator* (Pittsborough: weekly). 1847—August 18. Presented by Henry M. London, Raleigh.
- The Courier* (Littleton: George W. Charlotte & Son, editors; weekly). 1894—June 1. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Daily Chronicle* (Raleigh: T. R. Jernigan, editor). 1890—October 8; 1892—August 13, 21, 30, 31, September 1, 2, 3, 15, 16, 17, 24, 27, 29, October 2, 11, 25, November 16, 17, 26, 29, December 21, 23, 30; 1893—August 31. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Daily Journal* (Wilmington: James Fulton, editor). 1862—February 18.
- The Daily News* (Raleigh: Jordan Stone, S. T. Williams and E. C. Woodson, editors, 1873. John W. Dunham, editor, 1874). 1873—April 9, August 19, 21; 1874—October 25, December 19; 1876—July 7. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Daily Register* (Mobile, Ala.). 1900—June 29. In the Davidson papers.
- The Daily Sentinel* (Raleigh: W. E. Pell and Seaton Gales, editors, 1863; Josiah Turner, Jr., editor, 1871). 1868—June 11. Presented by S. A. Ashe, Raleigh. 1871—April 1, 11, May 6, 9, June 7, December 3; 1872—November 18, 26; 1873—April 18, December 23, 24. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Eastern Reflector* (Greenville: D. J. Whichard, editor and publisher; weekly). 1901—February 26.
- The Enterprise* (Williamston: William C. Manning, editor; weekly). 1913—May 9.
- The Greensboro Telegram* (Greensboro: daily except Sunday). 1906—September 3. In the Thomas M. Pittman Collection.
- The Home Florist* (Fayetteville: James M. Lamb, editor). 1890—Spring. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Home Rule* (Raleigh: R. A. Cobb, editor; weekly). 1898—October 20, November 3.
- The Hustler* (Henderson: D. E. Aycock, publisher; weekly). 1899—December 9. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Littleton Courier* (Littleton: George W. Charlotte & Son, editors; weekly). 1892—September 22, 29, November 13, December 1. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Morning Post* (Raleigh: R. M. Furman, editor). 1900—July 8. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection. 1904—May 11. In the Davidson Papers.
- The News and Observer* (Raleigh: J. I. McBee, editor, 1889; S. A. Ashe, editor, 1889; Josephus Daniels, editor, 1892; daily). 1889—February 17, March 10, July 21; 1892—June 14, 26, July 27, 30, August 13, 31, September 1, 7, 14, 29, October 1, November 18, December 30; 1895—August 29; 1896—June 24;

- 1898—December 11; 1900—April 8, June 26, October 9, November 15, December 21; 1901—June 20; 1903—September 24; 1905—August 13; 1907—January 30. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The News Reporter* (Littleton: T. R. Walker, editor; weekly). 1900—July 17, October 12, 19, 26, December 14, 21; 1901—January 18, February 22, March 22, April 12, 26, May 3, June 28, August 9, 16, 30, September 6, December 13; 1902—March 7, June 20; 1903—February 20; 1904—February 12, August 5; 1905—April 28. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The New York Herald* (James Gordon Bennett, proprietor). 1865—February 23, April 15. Presented by Mrs. S. S. Nash, Tarboro.
- The North Carolina Intelligencer* (Raleigh: weekly). 1890—October 15. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The North Carolinian* (Fayetteville: William H. Bayne, editor and proprietor; weekly). 1842—June 25.
- The North Carolinian* (Raleigh: Josephus Daniels, editor; weekly). 1892—August 12, October 7, 14, November 4, December 16, 30; 1894—July 12. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Orphans' Friend and Masonic Journal* (Oxford: weekly). 1903—December 18; 1904—March 18, 25; 1905—January 27; 1907—January 4, 18. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Press* (Philadelphia: J. W. Forney, editor; daily). 1862—April 8. Presented by S. A. Ashe, Raleigh.
- The Raleigh Evening Times* (R. W. Simpson, Jr., editor; daily). 1906—June 9, July 19, 31, August 2, 14, 22, September 7, October 8, 9, 17, 18, 19, 22, 26, 31, November 2, 22, December 10, 19, 26; 1907—January 2. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Raleigh Evening Visitor* (Wm. M. Utley, editor; daily). 1885—July 17. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Raleigh News* (weekly). 1878—January 15. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Raleigh Signal* (J. C. L. Harris, editor; weekly). 1891—September 26; 1892—October 27. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Record* (Warrenton: B. L. Long, publisher, 1893; J. R. Rodwell, editor, 1897; J. C. Hardy, editor and publisher, 1903; weekly). 1893—March 3; 1895—March 29, August 30; 1897—January 15, February 12; 1898—August 26; 1899—February 10, March 31, April 21, May 19, October 13, 27; 1900—August 17, December 21; 1901—January 4, 18, February 15, April 5, May 10, July 12, 19, 26, August 9, 30; 1902—June 6; 1903—January 8, April 3, May 8. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Republican* (Newbern: W. B. Gulick, editor and publisher; weekly). 1848—June 21.
- The Republican Citizen* (Frederick City, Md.: John W. Baughman, editor). 1870—May 27. Presented by S. A. Ashe, Raleigh.
- The Roanoke Beacon* (Plymouth: weekly). 1901—June 14.
- The Semi-Monthly Record* (Pittsboro: C. B. Denson, publisher; John L. and Robert Cowan, editors). 1866—August 1. Presented by Henry M. London, Raleigh.
- The Semi-Weekly Sentinel* (Raleigh: Josiah Turner, Jr., editor). 1872—April 10. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Southern Field and Fireside* (Raleigh: weekly). 1865—January 14.
- The Southport Leader* (Southport: Stevens & Farrell, editors and proprietors; weekly). 1890—February 27 to December 21, complete; 1891—complete except the issue of November 19; 1892-1895—complete; 1896—January 9, 16, 23. In the Thomas M. Pittman Collection.
- The State Chronicle* (Raleigh: Josephus Daniels, editor; weekly). 1888—April 20; 1889—July 26, August 2; 1890—February 21; 1892—February 9, March 30, April 19, 26, June 28, July 12, September 13, 27, October 25. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection. 1891—April 8.

- The State Journal* (Raleigh: Alex J. Field, editor). 1917—August 17.
- The Times Herald* (Littleton: J. W. Haithecock, editor; weekly). 1906—October 18. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Tobacconist and Review* (Henderson: P. B. Clarke, editor and proprietor; weekly). 1881—May 11. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Vance Farmer* (Henderson: Plummer G. Rowland, editor; weekly). 1892—September 20. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Warren News* (Warrenton: N. A. Boyd and Tasker Polk, editors and proprietors; weekly). 1880—December 17. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Weekly Floridian* (Tallahassee, Fla.: C. E. Dyke, Sr., editor). 1872—April 30. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Weekly Richmond Enquirer* (Richmond, Va.: Wm. F. Ritchie and Roger A. Pryor, editors). 1855—July 11. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- The Windsor Ledger* (S. W. Kenny, editor and publisher; weekly). 1910—June 23, October 27; 1916—June 1.
- Warrenton Gazette* (H. A. Foote, editor; weekly). 1873—May 17; 1876—December 22; 1880—February 20; 1883—May 4; 1892—September 30; 1895—April 19; 1897—January 22, November 5. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- Webster's Weekly* (Reidsville: J. R. Webster, editor and proprietor). 1896—July 2. In the Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.
- Wilmington Journal* (James Fulton, editor; weekly). 1862—January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, February 6, 13, 20, 27, March 13, 20, April 3, 10, 17, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, June 5, 12, 19, 26, July 10, 17, 24, 31, August 14, 28, September 4, 11, 25, October 2, November 20, 27, December 18, 25; 1863—January 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26, March 5. Presented by S. A. Ashe, Raleigh.

10. *Civil War Papers:*

- A volume, "Pay and Clothing and Descriptive Book of Company F. (Capt. Mull), 55 Regiment, N. C. Troops." Presented by Mrs. Peter M. Mull, Newton.
- A large miscellany of furloughs, orders, bonds, autographs, vouchers, sketches of uniforms, reports, regulations, music, sketches, pamphlets, addresses, rolls of honor, applications for pensions, discharges, company muster rolls, quartermaster's records.
- 16 collections of personal papers listed in this report under "New Collections."

11. *World War Papers:*

- Photostat of order received by R. T. Allen, Kinston, to cease firing on November 11, 1918.
- A 3-volume manuscript, "History of the North Carolina Council of Defence, 1917-1920," by Joseph Hyde Pratt, Chapel Hill.
- 3 collections of personal papers listed in this report under "New Collections."

12. *Maps:*

- "Bird's Eye View of Rocky Mount, North Carolina." Drawn and published by T. M. Fowler, Morrisville, Pa. Lithographed by Chas. Hart, New York City. 1907. 31 3/4 x 24 inches. The Thomas M. Pittman Collection.
- "Map of Vance, Warren, Franklin and Granville Counties . . ." By John E. Buck, Henderson. 1927. 24 10/16 x 24 11/16 inches. Scale, 1 inch to 2 miles. The Thomas M. Pittman Collection. Also an additional copy presented by R. G. Davis and W. A. Hunt, Henderson.
- "Plan to accompany Report of Re-survey of Wayne-Duplin Wayne-Lenoir County Lines." By B. A. Waldenmaier, Meriweather Lewis, Ellis P. Lupton, Surveyors. 1930. 21 5/8 x 16 3/8 inches. Scale of general plan, 1 inch to 5,000 feet. Scale of details of lines, 1 inch to 100 feet. Blue print. Presented by the surveyors.
- "Plan to accompany Report on the Retracing of the Duplin-Lenoir County Line, surveyed jointly by B. A. Waldenmaier and Meriweather Lewis." 1930.

- 16 3/8 x 18 3/4 inches. Scale, 1 inch to 3,000 feet. Drawing. Presented by the surveyors.
- "Historical Map of Old Granville County from which were made Granville-Bute-Warren-Franklin and Vance Counties, North Carolina." By John E. Buck. 1931. 15 7/8 x 15 11/16 inches. Scale, 1 inch to approximately 3.2 miles. Presented by Dr. D. T. Smithwick, Louisburg.
- "Sketch of Cumberland County, 1782." 9 1/4 x 15 inches. Scale, 1 inch to approximately 6 3/4 miles. Manuscript.
- "Plan of the County of Mecklenburg." [1790?] 13 1/4 x 16 3/8 inches. Manuscript.
- "Topographical Sketch of the battle of Bethel, June 10th, 1861." 9 1/2 x 13 1/4 inches. Manuscript. Presented by H. M. London, Raleigh.
- "Map of the country occupied by the Federal and Confederate armies on the 18th & 21st July, 1861." 10 1/2 x 13 13/16 inches. Scale, 1 inch to approximately 3,300 feet. Blue print. 2 copies.
- "Dept. of North Carolina for the Twenty Seventh, Mass. Regt., history." 7 3/8 x 9 13/16 inches. Scale, 1 inch to 12 miles.
- "Map of the Battle of Bethel. From a survey and drawing by Lieutenant W. G. Lewis, with notes and additions by E. J. Hale." 7 x 10 inches. Scale, 1 inch to approximately 375 feet. Presented by Dr. F. J. Haywood.
- "Sketch Map illustrative of the Battles of Seven Pines, Fair Oaks and the 'Weeks Campaign' before Richmond &c." 7 1/4 x 9 inches. Scale, 1 inch to 3 miles.
- "Environs of Richmond." 9 7/16 x 11 13/16 inches. Scale, 1 1/2 inches to 4 miles.
- "The Neighborhood of Richmond showing the position of the armies on the evening of June 28, 1862." 8 x 10 inches. Scale, 1 inch to approximately 3 1/2 miles.
- "Map of Vicinity of Richmond and part of the Peninsula. From surveys made under the direction of A. H. Campbell, Capt. P. E. C. S. A. In charge Topographl. Dept. D. N. V. 1864." 36 3/4 x 40 3/16 inches. Scale, 1 inch to 1 1/4 miles. Presented by Gen. C. F. Woodruff, U. S. A.
- "The British Government in Nth. America Laid down agreeable to the Proclamation of Oct. 7, 1763." 7 6/16 x 8 10/16 inches. Scale, 1 inch to 240 miles. Photostat. Presented by A. B. Andrews, Raleigh.
- "Carolina. By H. Moll, Geographer. 1725." 7 5/16 x 10 9/16 inches. Scale, 1 inch to approximately 75 miles. Photostat. Presented by Victor S. Bryant, Durham.
- "Virginia Dare Trail Through the ancient county of Albemarle. N. Carolina." Drawn by Mark F. Boyd. 11 3/4 x 17 1/2 inches. Presented by Rev. R. B. Drane, Edenton.
- "Carolina." By H. Moll, Geographer. 1729. 8 1/4 x 10 3/16 inches. Blue print. Presented by Justus R. Moll, Springfield, Mo.
- "Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal connecting Chesapeake Bay with Currituck, Albemarle and Pamlico Sounds and their tributary streams." By John Lathrop, civil engineer. 1858. 22 1/4 x 29 5/8 inches.
- "To His Grace Thomas Hollis Pelham Duke of Newcastle Principal Secretary of State and one of His Majesties most Honorable Privy Council &c. This chart of his Majesties Province of North Carolina." James Wimble, 1738. 36 11/16 x 22 2/16 inches. Scale, 1 inch to approximately 9 miles.
- "Order of Attack on Fort Fisher. By the Squadron under command of Rear Admiral D. D. Porter, U. S. N. In the combined naval and military operations which resulted in the capture of the Rebel defences at New Inlet, N. C., January 14th & 15th, 1865. Chas. G. Krebs, Lith." 18 x 20 inches. Scale, 1 inch to approximately 845 feet.
- "Topography Pennsylvania-Maryland, Gettysburg Battlefield and Vicinity." 27 x 34 13/16 inches. Scale, 1 inch to 1 mile.

"Railroad Map of North Carolina, 1922." 54 3/16 x 22 inches. Scale, 1 inch to 9.7 miles.

"Map of Warren County, North Carolina." By John E. Buck, 1924. 31 7/8 x 33 inches. Scale, 1 inch to 3,960 feet. Presented by John E. Buck.

"Map of Vance County, North Carolina." Compiled by John E. Buck, 1925. 12 5/8 x 23 1/2 inches. Scale, 1 inch to approximately 5,940 feet.

13. *Geneological:*

Blair Magazine, Vol. I, nos. 9, 10, 11. Presented by Mrs. F. M. Andrews, East Orange, N. J.

Lineage Book, 1929. Presented by Virginia Dare chapter of North Carolina, National Society of the Daughters of the American Colonists.

Photostat of charts showing descendants of Samuel Harris and Martha Laird, and Edward Harris and Flora Douglas. Presented by Issac L. Harris, Havana, Cuba.

Sketches of Major General Thomas Lloyd of Orange Co., N. C., and some of his Descendants, by Dr. Eugene Sugg, New York. Presented by Mr. P. Cleveland Gardner, Shelby.

List of pioneers or their families who moved from old Ninety-Six District, S. C., into North Carolina. Presented by G. L. Sumner, Newberry, S. C.

Copy of manuscript on the Harlee family, presented by Col. Wm. C. Harlee, 624 Gravier St., New Orleans.

Copy of chart of Mrs. W. R. Ellerson, Hot Springs, N. C., "Genealogical Chart of Douglas of Garrallan, Scotland," presented by Mrs. Leslie B. Clark, Dallas, Texas.

Historical Sketch of the Schenck & Bevans Families with an Appendix Warlick Genealogy by Hon. David Schenck. Presented by Bruce R. Payne, Nashville, Tenn.

A 215-page account by J. G. M. Ramsey of his family (1868). Presented by Geo. W. Ramsey, Raleigh.

II. NEW COLLECTIONS.

The Col. Allen T. Davidson and Gen. Theo F. Davidson Papers. 2,288 letters, family papers, pamphlets, addresses, 1824-1931; a manuscript volume, J. G. Martin's "Docket of Civil Cases, 1880-1884"; 43 pamphlets, 1859-1930; 24 newspapers, 1808-1930; 15 photographs; and 6 letter books, 1898-1908. A. T. Davidson (1819-1905) was a prominent lawyer and business man of western North Carolina and a representative in the Confederate Congress. Theo F. Davidson (1845-1931) was a prominent lawyer of Asheville and attorney general of North Carolina, 1885-93. The collection contains political correspondence. Presented by Theo D. Morrison and Allen Williamson, Asheville.

The Thomas M. Pittman Collection. A large miscellany of material collected by Judge Thomas M. Pittman of Henderson, chairman of the North Carolina Historical Commission for many years prior to his death in 1932. It contains 494 letters, 1775-1901; 227 business papers, 1755-1812; 82 letters and papers of James Cary, Loyalist, 1776-1807; 50 Bute County records, 1771-79; 11 Warren County records, 1792-1804; Civil War papers—467 Quartermaster's Department records, 68 orders, 2 order books, 23 muster rolls, and 22 returns and reports; 3 manuscript notebooks; 316 issues of newspapers; 4 printed volumes; 404 pamphlets and broadsides; 2 maps. In the correspondence there are letters of Thomas Person, Samuel Johnston, James and Isaac Hilliard, Calvin Jones, M. T. Hawkins, John W. Ellis and others. Presented by Mrs. Thomas M. Pittman, Raleigh.

Daniel Harvey Hill Papers. 1,102 pieces, 1890-1923, chiefly letters to D. H. Hill. Presented by Mrs. D. H. Hill, Raleigh.

Mrs. L. O'B. Branch Papers. A collection of 111 letters, 1791-1871, chiefly from L. O'B. Branch, representative in Congress, 1855-61, to his wife; and from Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson Davis to Mrs. Branch. Deposited by Armistead Jones Maupin, Raleigh.

- Col. Frank M. Parker Letters.* 103 letters, 1861-64, from Frank M. Parker, colonel of the 30th N. C. Regiment, C. S. A., to his wife. Presented by Mr. Haywood Parker, Asheville, son of Col. Parker.
- Col. Frank M. Parker Papers.* 9 letters of Col. Frank M. Parker, 1861-63, to his wife, and three papers. Loaned by Mrs. Mary P. Battle, Rocky Mount.
- Marmaduke J. Hawkins Collection.* 1,179 letters and papers and 2 account books, 1809-1909; 208 issues of North Carolina newspapers, 1872-1907; 4 college note books. The collection contains political correspondence, internal revenue papers, and political broadsides and pamphlets of the late nineteenth century; and some business papers of Weldon N. Edwards. Presented by Dr. C. H. Peete, Warrenton.
- Crabtree Jones Collection.* 27 letters, chiefly from relatives in Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Louisiana, and 80 miscellaneous family papers, 1771-1930; 3 pamphlets; 20 North Carolina almanacs, 1825-94; photographs; family genealogies. Deposited by Mrs. Kimbrough Jones, Route 1, Raleigh.
- Thomas F. Toon Papers.* 15 commissions, letters, etc., 1861-65, of Brigadier General Thomas F. Toon.
- Thomas M. Gorman Papers.* 10 letters, 1864-1905; copy of diary of Capt. John C. Gorman, 1864, newspaper clippings. Deposited by Thomas M. Gorman, Durham.
- Montfort Stokes Papers.* 27 letters to Stokes, 1790-1811. Presented by B. D. McCubbins, Salisbury.
- Capt. Richard D. Hildebrand Collection.* Maps, official reports, rosters, confidential instructions, handbooks, photographs, bulletins, etc., 1918-19, relating to the World War. Presented by Capt. Richard D. Hildebrand, Asheville, Regimental Intelligence Officer, 323 Infantry, 81st Division.
- Henry A. Chambers Papers.* Confederate war diary of Henry A. Chambers, in 6 sections, 1862-65; 6 letters, 1923-24. Presented by Henry A. Chambers, Chattanooga, Tenn.
- Gen. Stephen D. Ramseur Papers.* 28 commissions, letters to and from General Stephen D. Ramseur, etc., 1860-95. Presented by Miss Mary Dobson Ramseur.
- Vernon Howell Collection.* 39 letters and miscellaneous papers, 1827-66, relating chiefly to the Civil War. Presented by Vernon Howell, Chapel Hill.
- Clinard Papers.* 303 letters and papers of the Clinard family, 1871-1904. Presented by Miss Helen Vogler, Winston-Salem.
- James I. Metts Papers.* 7 letters, 1864-82; 2 commissions, 1862-63; military orders; 4 programs of Wilmington theatricals, 1863-64.
- Webb Papers.* 28 letters, 1860-65, from and to members of the Webb family.
- J. P. Leach Papers.* 11 letters, 1888-1905, relating to the Civil War.
- Wilson G. Lamb Papers.* 8 letters, 1864-1910, and a commissary book of Wilson G. Lamb, 1862-64.
- W. W. Stringfield Papers.* 20 letters, 1860-90, and a diary of Major W. W. Stringfield, October-November, 1864. Presented by W. W. Stringfield, Waynesville.
- Samuel Finley Harper Papers.* 10 letters and papers, 1862-65. Presented by Samuel Finley Harper, Charlotte.
- Delamar Papers.* 16 manuscripts, 1825-85. Presented by Mrs. W. T. Delamar, Raleigh.
- Cavin Papers.* 44 papers and family letters, 1861-65, chiefly from Milas Cavin relating to the Civil War. Presented by Ida G. Cavin, Troutman.
- Futch Letters.* 66 Futch family letters, 1861-63, relating to the Civil War.
- Ross Papers.* 18 letters to the Ross family, 1814-74. Acquired by purchase.
- Heckstall Papers.* 16 letters, several from Mississippi, to the Heckstall family of Bertie County, 1835-64. Acquired by purchase.
- Chesson Papers.* 60 Chesson family letters and papers, 1835-64. Acquired by purchase.
- Benjamin Grady Collection.* 15 pieces of North Carolina currency, 1776-80;

- 1 letter, 1909; photostat of seals of the various states. Presented by Benjamin Grady, Washington, D. C.
- Hardy Massey Papers.* 127 Massey letters and business papers, 1794-1897. Deposited by Mrs. F. G. Harris, Raleigh.
- J. A. Byrnes Collection.* 208 letters, tax lists, etc., 1800-74, and an account book, 1757-1854. Presented by J. A. Byrnes, Red Springs.
- James Boon Papers.* 188 papers, letters and accounts, 1829-53. Presented by Mrs. Alfred Williams, Raleigh.
- General Superintendent of Common Schools' Papers.* 1,091 reports of schools from 64 counties, 1841-67; 78 election returns of school committeemen, 1841-56; 158 county superintendents' papers, 1841-57.
- North Carolina Good Roads Association Papers.* A volume of circulars, minutes, and papers of the North Carolina Good Roads Association, 1902-15. Deposited by Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, Chapel Hill.
- The North Carolina Cherokee Papers.* 6 pamphlets—*Explanations of the Rights of the North Carolina Cherokee Indians submitted to the Attorney General of the United States by Wm. H. Thomas* (Washington, 1851), *Report of the Judiciary Committee on the North Carolina Cherokees* (Raleigh, 1859), *Memorial and Argument submitted to the Cherokee Commissioners in the Claim of Tickonuska* (Washington, 1846), *Rejoinder to the Reply of the Western Cherokee Delegation to the claim of the Eastern Cherokees to an Equal Ownership in the Common Property of the Whole Cherokee People. James G. Blunt, Attorney* (Washington, 1869), *Explanation of the Fund Held in Trust by the United States for the North Carolina Cherokees, by Wm. H. Thomas* (Washington, 1858), and *A Letter to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs upon the Claims of the Indians Remaining in the States East. By Wm. H. Thomas.* Also 87 pages of manuscript notes. Presented by Mrs. Charles R. Thomas, Hendersonville.
- Cape Fear Chapter, U. D. C., Collection.* Order book of Major W. L. Young and 11 Civil War letters. Loaned by Cape Fear Chapter, U. D. C., Wilmington.
- Cherokee Chapter, U. D. C., Collection.* 94 Whitaker letters and orders, 1853-66; 6 muster and pay rolls, 1862-63; newspaper clippings. Presented by Mrs. Fannie D. Eubanks, Historian, Cherokee Chapter, U. D. C., Andrews, N. C.
- Archives of the Moravian Church in America, Southern Province, Collection.* 14 printed volumes (1772-1848) of music and history relating to the Moravian Church in North Carolina. Deposited by Miss Adelaide L. Fries, Archivist, Winston-Salem.
- Diaries:*
- Diary of Dr. J. E. Green, 2nd Lieutenant, Co. I, 53 Regiment, Union County, 1863-72. Approximately 300 pages relating chiefly to the war period. Presented by the family of the author through Mr. Myron Green, Clinton.
- 3 Diaries of Capt. W. H. S. Burgwyn, 1862, 1863, 1864-65. Presented by Mrs. W. H. S. Burgwyn.
- Diary of Major W. W. Stringfield, 1864. Presented by W. W. Stringfield, Waynesville.
- Notebook of W. H. Thomas, 1862-65.
- Diary of Henry A. Chambers, 1862-65, in 6 sections. Presented by Henry A. Chambers, Chattanooga, Tenn.
- Typewritten copy of "Two Months Within the Lines of the Enemy, October and November, 1864," by Bishop Henry Champlin Lay. Presented by Dr. George W. Lay, Chapel Hill.
- Diary of Lieutenant Colonel John A. Young, 1861.
- Diary of John G. Young, sergeant major, 4th N. C. Regiment, 1863-64.
- Memorandum book of Spruce Macay, 1786. Presented by B. D. McCubbins, Salisbury.
- Diary of J. B. Clifton, Louisburg, Surgeon, Provisional Army, Confederate States, 72 pages, June 20, 1863-July 30, 1864.
- Account Books:*
- Byrnes Account Book, 1757-1854. Presented by J. A. Byrnes, Red Springs.
- Invoice book of Hogg & Campbell, Wilmington, 1767-82. By purchase.
- Journal of a Wilmington firm, 1787-96. By purchase.

- 4 account books of Waugh & Finley, Wilkesboro, 1815-27. Presented by Miss Annie Finley, North Wilkesboro.
- Cash book of Adie & Hogg, Chapel Hill, 1803-05. Presented by Miss Sarah Cheshire, Raleigh.
- 4 account books of Adie & Hogg, Chapel Hill, 1803-08. Presented by Miss Sarah Cheshire, Raleigh.
- Account book of Hogg & Adam, Hillsborough, 1798-1800. Presented by Miss Sarah Cheshire, Raleigh.
- 3 account books of Hogg & Adie, Hillsborough, 1800-12. Presented by Miss Sarah Cheshire, Raleigh.
- Account book of John Hogg & Co., Wilmington, 1804-05. Presented by Miss Sarah Cheshire, Raleigh.
- Letter book of Hogg & Adie, Hillsborough, 1803-04, and John Hogg & Co., Wilmington, 1804-05. Presented by Miss Sarah Cheshire, Raleigh.
- Invoice book of David Clark, Plymouth, 1800-05. Presented by Miss Sarah Cheshire, Raleigh.
- Invoice book of Hogg & Ming of Fayetteville, John Hogg & Co. of Wilmington, and John Hogg of Raleigh, 1803-05. Presented by Miss Sarah Cheshire, Raleigh.
- 2 account books of a North Carolina fishery, 1819-20. By purchase.
- Account book of George Mumford, 1807-09. Presented by B. D. McCubbins, Salisbury.
- Account book of Dr. Lueco Mitchell, Salisbury, 1824-37. Presented by B. D. McCubbins, Salisbury.
- A Salisbury account book, 1834-37. Presented by B. D. McCubbins, Salisbury.
- 2 account books of Hinds and Kinney, Trent Bridge, 1831-33. Presented by R. E. Mewborn, Kinston.

Miscellaneous:

- 218 personal papers and letters have been received and filed under the following names: Elvira E. Moffitt, John D. Hawkins, Wellington J. Lawyer, Smith Patterson, L. L. Polk, Bryan Grimes, Jefferson Davis, B. W. Starke, Robert E. Lee, Kenneth Rayner, Samuel L. Patterson, W. D. Pender, R. H. Battle, Asa G. Murray, C. A. Durham, Pride Jones, Thomas W. Redwine, Celadon Hutchings, W. G. Broadfoot, Major McClellan, M. G. McNeely, Francis E. Shepperd, A. M. Waddell, W. H. C. Whiting, Kemzey, A. J. Daniel, James I. Waddell, Thomas Rowland, Penelope Meyers, James H. Moring, Albright, J. B. Neathery, E. S. Hamilton, George B. Anderson, Samuel Sutton, Thomas S. Kenan, Franklin McNeil, A. M. Tomlinson, Collet Leventhorpe, John D. Bellamy, Col. Sion Rogers, William Jeffreys, Henry Patterson, H. A. Williams, Stephen D. Lee, Capt. John Julius Guthrie, William Gaston, R. H. Gray, Kedar Bryan, James H. Hill, DeRosset, Gen. Patton Anderson, James Sprunt, W. H. Thomas, Junius Davis, Rev. Marble Nash Taylor, A. G. Brenizer, Fred C. Foard, Marvel Ritchie, John A. Campbell, Thos. Perrett, H. S. Stevens, R. W. Winston, H. G. Hutchinson, James Iredell, Lyman C. Draper, Devotion Davis, John Graham, Samuel White, William S. Pettigrew, Robert Donaldson, Joshua Hassel, Simpson, Spruill, Eli Peal, Thomas Pollard, G. W. Hodges, T. Loring, Thomas D. Warren, Powell, Henry Starr, Bryant Bennett, Jack Selby, S. N. Mason, P. E. Fouts, Bell Yarrrell, Strother, James B. Slade, David T. Toier, Patrick Ferguson, P. H. Winston, Duncan C. Winston, John Crockford, Jethro Sumner, Charles Phillips, Collier Cobb, Perrin Busbee, Mrs. George E. Fisher and A. M. Tomlinson.
- A volume of press notices of the State Literary and Historical Association, 1900-02. Presented by Mrs. W. J. Peele, Raleigh.
- Two manuscript volumes of Frances E. Fisher, containing quotations.
- Roll book of Slaves of the Avery family, 1766-1865. Presented by Mrs. A. C. Avery, Sr., Morganton.
- A miscellany of records concerning slaves—business card of a slave trader, passes, bills of sale, offers of reward for runaways, deeds of gift, lists, etc.
- Warrant on state treasury by Governor Vance for slave hire.
- Bonds and currency: 5 twenty-five dollar N. C. bills, 1780, loaned by C. M. Edson, Route 4, Rocky Mount; 1 dollar bill, 1875, presented by J. P. Adams, Monroe; a five dollar bill of the Bank of Clarendon, Fayetteville, 1857.

- loaned by Arthur Polier, Raleigh; two five dollar bills of Bank of Clarendon, 1860, presented by J. D. Spence, Raleigh; 1 North Carolina bond, 1862, presented by Miss Eleanor Tomlin, Statesville; check on Fayetteville National Bank, 1876; 6 checks on State Bank of North Carolina, 1816-26; a miscellany of North Carolina currency and North Carolina and Confederate bonds; 1 Confederate States bond, 1862, deposited by Miss W. B. Taggart, Raleigh.
- The Duty and Office of Justices of the Peace & of Sheriffs, Coroners, Constables, &c, according to the Laws of the State of North Carolina* (1816), presented by Folks Huxford, Homerville, Ga.
- "Minute Book of the Baptist Church on Bear Creek, 1792-1860," deposited by Miss Mary Green, Winston-Salem.
- Stone Mountain coin No. 6 and certificate issued to Raleigh. Presented by Mayor Eugene Culbreth.
- Stage coach way bill, Salem, N. C., to Taylorsville, Tenn., 1838.
- Autograph album, presented by E. L. Riddick, Gatesville.
- The Minutes of Primitive Baptist Church at Galloway's Meeting House, Pitt County, 1828-1915. 1 volume. Loaned by Rev. J. S. Corbitt, Greenville.
- Copy of indenture between Earl of Granville and Benjamin Munden, Jr., of Pasquotank, 1753. Presented by A. B. Hultman, Quincy, Mass.
- Minutes of the Cross Roads Meeting House, 1871-1894. 1 volume. Presented by Rev. J. S. Corbitt, Greenville.
- Photograph of deed from Lords Proprietors to James Bell, 1719. Presented by C. W. Hollowell, Elizabeth City.
- Program of Salem Female Academy, 1854.
- Manuscript copy of address of Joshua G. Wright at the Moore's Creek Bridge celebration, 1857, presented by S. A. Ashe, Raleigh.
- Original and copy of contract of Michael Schenck, Absalom Warlick and Michael Beam for the erection of a spinning machine in Lincoln County, April 27, 1816, deposited by Judge Michael Schenck, Hendersonville.
- A manuscript of several hundred typed pages, "Memoirs of the Blacknall Family," by O. W. Blacknall, Kittrell. Contains copies of Civil War letters.
- A manuscript volume, "Night and Other Poems," by Edward Conn, Washington, D. C., presented by the author.
- Invitation to Mecklenburg Centennial Dress Ball, 1875, presented by H. M. London, Raleigh.
- Photostat of declaration of David Bozwell for a revolutionary pension, presented by Mrs. Mary H. Headman, Haddonfield, N. J.
- Photostats of revolutionary pay certificates issued to Peter Michael and J. C. Kirhnast, presented by Adelaide L. Fries, Winston-Salem.
- Photostat of the record of revolutionary service of John Wyatt, Chatham Co., presented by Mrs. Mae McMichael, Washington, D. C.
- A volume belonging to Junius Daniel, containing general army regulations, a letter, and a diary of one page, 1854-56. Presented by Mrs. Junius Daniel, Warrenton.
- A volume containing the Minutes of the State Board of Elections, 1899-1901. Presented by George D. McNeill, Fayetteville.
- Railroad records—Journal of the Board of Commissioners of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad, 1845-1851; History of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Co., and Raleigh and Augusta Air Line Railroad Co. (1877); Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Reports, 1851-93; North Carolina and other railroad reports, 1858-66; 20 reports of various North Carolina railroads, 1860-75.
- Pamphlets—*Scheme of the Exercises at the Commencement of the University of North Carolina, June 1, 1843*, presented by Augustus Tyson, Carthage; *Memorial of Citizens of North Carolina to the General Assembly, Asking for Certain Reforms in the Laws relating to Slaves and Free Persons of Color*, presented by Thomas M. Pittman, Henderson; *Address of the People of Louisiana in Behalf of Gen. Andrew Jackson* (1824); *Catalogue of the Trustees, Officers and Pupils of Oxford Female College for the Collegiate Years 1852-5*; *By-Laws of Unanimity Lodge No. 54, Edenton*, by Charter from the Grand Lodge of North Carolina and Tennessee (Edenton, 1810); *A Funeral Oration on the Most Worshipful and Honorable Major General Richard Caswell, Grand Master of the Masons of N. Carolina, delivered in Christ-Church, before St. John's Lodge, No. 2, of Newbern, on Sunday, the 29th of November, 1789*, by Francois-Xavier

Martin (Newbern, 1789); *Laws for the Regulation of St. John's Lodge Number 3, Newbern* (Newbern, 1803); *Newbern Directory*, 1881, presented by Miss G. Oaksmith, Morehead City; *An Address to the Friends of General Andrew Jackson in North Carolina and the Supporters of his Administration of the Affairs of the General Government* (October, 1832); 17 copies of the Minutes of Chowan Baptist Association, 1847-81; 18 copies of the Minutes of the West Chowan Baptist Association; 7 copies of the Minutes of the Baptist State Convention, 1863-85; 64 copies of the Minutes of Kehukee Primitive Baptist Association, 1858-1930; *Views of Ancient Friends* (1803), presented by G. P. Burgwyn, Jackson; *To the Freemen of Wake County*, by Kimbrough Jones (1836), deposited by William N. H. Jones, Route 1, Raleigh; 29 North Carolina almanacs, 1805-1913; 21 political, religious, legal and educational pamphlets; 5 manuscript arithmetics; and 22 early North Carolina textbooks; program of concert by Pucci in Plymouth; Points for Working Men.

In addition to the accessions listed above, a considerable quantity of state and local archives has been collected, whose arrangement has been impossible in time to be included in this report.

DIVISION OF DOCUMENTS

I. CLASSIFICATION AND ARRANGEMENT.

The above-listed accessions have been classified, arranged and filed during the biennium. They comprise approximately 80 manuscript volumes and 8,050 letters and papers of persons, firms and organizations; 9 volumes and 12,000 documents of county archives; 1 volume and 5,200 letters and papers of state archives; 606 issues of newspapers; 630 pamphlets; 28 maps; and many miscellaneous items.

II. CATALOGUING.

Accessions during the biennium have been labeled and catalogued. The entire collection of approximately 1,000 maps has been classified and catalogued. The collection of English transcripts, comprising more than 10,000 pages, has been arranged and catalogued. Substantial progress, to the extent of some 150 volumes and boxes of personal papers, has been made toward making a descriptive catalogue of all material in the custody of the Commission. As time and funds have permitted, progress has been made upon the project of compiling a complete check-list and bibliography of North Carolina newspaper files through 1876 in the more important collections within and outside State. The remaining half of the Duke University collection, the Wake Forest collection, and about half of the University of North Carolina collection have been listed. In coöperation with the University of North Carolina and Duke University libraries, the Historical Commission has assisted in making available for researchers at the three institutions typewritten check-lists of North Carolina newspapers in the three collections.

III. REPAIR.

The Restorer of Manuscripts has mounted 11,273 sheets of manuscript for binding. In case of some manuscripts, more than one repair process was necessary. Of the manuscripts mounted, 7,376 were patched with paper, 1,875 were covered with crepine, 663 were covered with tissue paper, and 943 were backed with paper.

Ninety-eight volumes were bound in buckram bindings designed by the Restorer of Manuscripts and manufactured at a small fraction of the cost of leather bindings. Three old bindings were repaired, and three were oiled to prevent cracking. Thirty-four maps were cut and hinged, 10 trimmed, 12 repaired, and 4 backed with cloth.

IV. BINDING.

One hundred twenty-two volumes were bound during the period of this report. Ninety-eight of these consist of mounted manuscripts. A special type of binding has been designed in the office which permits a great increase in the amount of binding at much reduced cost and without any sacrifice of durability. The following volumes were bound during the biennium:

Caswell County Records, 1776-1864. 2 vols.
Chatham County Records, 1793-1857. 4 vols.
Chowan County Records, 1694-1808. 4 vols.
Craven County Records, 1712-1851. 28 vols.
Cumberland County Records, 1757-1869. 4 vols.
Johnston County Records, 1760-1830. 4 vols.
Jones County Records, 1760-1842. 3 vols.
Nash County Records, 1778-1859. 7 vols.
New Hanover County Records, 1732-1864. 8 vols.
Northampton County Records, 1762-1808. 5 vols.
Orange County Records, 1785-1865. 14 vols.
Pasquotank County Records, 1720-1804. 6 vols.
Rowan County Records, 1805-26. 1 vol.
Warren County Records, 1780-1825. 5 vols.
Mrs. L. O'B. Branch Papers, 1791-1871. 2 vols.
Col. Frank M. Parker Letters, 1861-1864. 1 vol.
The North Carolina Historical Review, VII. 15 vols.
The North Carolina Historical Review, VIII. 9 vols.

V. USE OF RECORDS.

During the biennium, there was more extensive and fruitful use of the records than ever before. 3,259 visits were made to consult the manuscript records of North Carolina history. Of these, more than 500 were made by persons living in Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming and Canada; and 507 by graduate students, historians and others in search of new information on aspects of North Carolina, Southern and United States history for use in historical articles and monographs. Professors, graduate students and fellows from Peabody College, University of Virginia, University of Texas, University of Pennsylvania, Goucher College, Furman University, University of Georgia, Agnes Scott College, University of Missouri, Duke University, University of North Carolina, Wake Forest College, East Carolina Teachers College, Elon College, Atlantic Christian College, Shaw University and other institutions spent from one day to several months each in original historical investigation on the secession movement, the German Lutherans, the temperance movement, the public school systems in Hertford and

Robeson counties, the rise and development of the textile industry, early banking, the North Carolina debt, women in the southern colonies, disaffection during the Civil War, language peculiarities, North Carolina in the Continental Congress, the iron industry, the Confederacy, Jeffersonian democracy, salt as a factor in the Confederacy, the ratification of the Federal Constitution, propaganda during the Revolution, Indian affairs, colonial and state boundary disputes, the gold mining industry, the history of the Whig party, state finances since 1860, Dorothy Dix and the insane; pardons, paroles and commutations; Tryon, Cherokee, Macon and Clay counties; Robert E. Lee, Andrew Jackson, Calvin H. Wiley, Benjamin Hawkins, Franklin Pierce, Z. B. Vance, W. W. Holden, Richard Caswell, etc. The unpublished North Carolina data on these subjects are for use in articles and books. The studies of Richard Caswell, Lee, Jackson, the gold mining industry, the state debt, boundary disputes, salt in the Confederacy, the iron industry, disaffection during the Civil War, the temperance movement, the development of the textile industry, and the history of the Whig Party are entirely or virtually complete; and during the biennium *The Ratification of the Federal Constitution in North Carolina*, *A History of the Public Schools of North Carolina*, *Jeffersonian Democracy in North Carolina, 1789-1816*, and *The Democratic Party in Ante-Bellum North Carolina, 1835-1861*, written to a great extent if not chiefly from the archives and records of the Commission, have been published. Never before has there been such extensive and intensive research in North Carolina history by trained students and historians. The Commission, by gathering and making available a vast collection of manuscript records, has made the field of North Carolina history attractive to investigators, who are surely and rapidly illuminating every period of the state's history by their monographic studies. The investment of the State in the Historical Commission is yielding handsome dividends in historical research and publication.

Worthy of special mention is the use of the collection of Revolutionary records by a committee of the North Carolina Division, Daughters of the American Revolution, in the compilation and publication in 1932 of the 709-page volume, *Roster of Soldiers from North Carolina in the American Revolution*.

Thousands of requests from all parts of the United States for information about North Carolina have received the attention of the office force. Research necessary for the replies has been done by members of the staff, in case of historical inquiries; and by private researchers to whom the inquiries were referred, if of a private or genealogical nature. A total of 1,067 certified copies from the records of the Commission were prepared and furnished without charge to North Carolinians and outsiders interested in North Carolina history. Of these 388 were supplied to North Carolinians and 679 to persons outside the State, as follows: District of Columbia, 118; Tennessee, 86; Georgia, 71; New York, 43; Illinois, 37; Texas, 32; Missouri, 27; South Carolina, 24; Indiana, 21; Alabama, 20; Oklahoma, 19; Florida, 16; Arkansas, 15; Maryland, 12; Kentucky, 12; Virginia, 11; California, 11; Minnesota, 11; Pennsylvania, 10; Louisiana, 9; New Jersey, 9; Ohio, 9; Colorado 8; Mississippi, 7; Wisconsin, 6; Iowa, 6; Montana, 5; Michigan, 5;

Kansas, 4; Oregon, 3; Massachusetts, 3; Rhode Island, 3; Idaho, 3; North Dakota, 1; West Virginia, 1; and Cuba, 1. Research has been made by the staff to establish the eligibility of approximately 100 Civil War and Revolutionary soldiers for gravestones which are supplied by the U. S. War Department.

The success of the Historical Commission in collecting, repairing, arranging, cataloguing and caring for local and state archives was signally recognized in 1931 by the election of the Secretary as chairman of the Public Archives Commission of the American Historical Association.

PUBLICATIONS

I. ISSUED DURING THE BIENNIUM.

1. *Bulletin No. 35.* Thirteenth Biennial Report of the North Carolina Historical Commission, July 1, 1928-June 30, 1930. (Raleigh: 1930. Pp. 48.)
2. *Records of the Moravians in North Carolina.* Edited by Adelaide L. Fries. Volume IV, 1780-1783. (Raleigh: 1930. Pp. 1491-1962.)
3. *The Papers of Randolph Abbott Shotwell.* Edited by J. G. deR. Hamilton, with the collaboration of Rebecca Cameron. Volume II. (Raleigh: 1931. Pp. x, 581.)
4. *The North Carolina Historical Review.* Volumes VII, Nos. 3-4; VIII; IX, Nos. 1-2. (Raleigh: 1930-32. Pp. 261; 526; 227.)
5. *North Carolina Manual.* 1931. Compiled and edited by H. M. London. (Raleigh: 1931. Pp. 230.)
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7. *Amendments to the Consolidated Statutes Enacted by the General Assembly of North Carolina, Regular Session, 1931.* Compiled by H. M. London. (Raleigh: 1931. Pp. 52.)
8. *North Carolina Court Calendar, July 1, 1931, to June 30, 1933.* Compiled by H. M. London. (Raleigh: 1931.)
9. *Public Papers and Letters of Angus Wilton McLean, Governor of North Carolina, 1925-1929.* Edited by David Leroy Corbitt. (Raleigh: Council of State. 1931. Pp. xxvii, 921.) Though edited by a member of the staff of the Historical Commission from records compiled under the direction of the Governor, this volume is not one of the Publications of the North Carolina Historical Commission. The Council of State authorized its publication and the Printing Commission provided the funds.

HISTORICAL MARKERS

In view of the fact that the last legislature failed to make any funds available for the purpose, the Commission has been unable to render financial aid in the erection of historical markers. However, it has encouraged the erection of markers by private organizations and societies, helped in the framing of inscriptions, and participated in several exercises of dedication.

STIMULATION OF HISTORICAL INTEREST AND INVESTIGATION

Through its documentary publications, placed in the chief research centers in North Carolina and the other states, and its large collection of

public archives and historical manuscripts conveniently arranged and filed for use, the Commission has stimulated, made possible, and assisted the research of many students and historians. Ample proof of this is the ever-increasing number of articles and books which acknowledge their indebtedness to the Commission. The State is pursuing with notable success precisely the best policy for the thorough investigation and publication of North Carolina history. Cordial relations and coöperation with the patriotic, educational and historical organizations have been preserved and extended. In each of the three semi-annual units of the North Carolina Radio School, conducted by the Superintendent of Public Instruction over station WPTF, the Secretary of the Commission has delivered a series of addresses on North Carolina history. Assistance and encouragement have been given to county historians who have, in some cases, published articles on local history in newspapers and pamphlets. Public school teachers and students have been helped by the distribution of bulletins and information and by lectures in the Hall of History and in the schools.

HALL OF HISTORY

The following is the report of Fred A. Olds, Collector, Hall of History, for the biennium:

Raleigh, N. C., July 1, 1932.

DR. A. R. NEWSOME, *Secretary*,
North Carolina Historical Commission,
Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor of submitting my report of activities of the State Hall of History for the period July 1, 1930, to June 30, 1932. The work of collecting historical material from the hundred counties in North Carolina, begun in 1914, has been nearly completed. During the period 1930-32, the writer secured the minutes of the Guilford County court of pleas and quarter sessions, November, 1858 to the end of January, 1862, and November, 1865, to the end of May, 1868. Rowan County wills from 1809 to 1819 were secured from clerk of court B. D. McCubbins; also the equity docket, Salisbury court district, 1790-92; letters and papers of Gov. Montfort Stokes (then clerk of Rowan court), memorandum book of Judge Spruce McKay of Morgan district, 1786, and Rowan tax lists, 1802, 1814, 1849.

Other material brought in included the Revolutionary sword of Col. Jonathan Stevens, of Columbus County, presented by Joseph A. Brown of Chadbourn; large photograph of William Rufus King, of Clinton, only vice-president of the U. S. from North Carolina, presented by Alexander B. Andrews of Raleigh, and a sketch of his life and service; silver medal of the Centennial Celebration in 1889, of the ratification in 1789 by North Carolina of the U. S. Constitution; photographs of the oldest lodge of Masons in the world, "Royal White Hart" (Deer) at Halifax, (1769), presented by Sterling Gary, of that lodge; photograph and Confederate Cross-of-Honor of Francis Drake of the N. C. Soldiers Home, Raleigh, last survivor of the first fight between ironclad vessels, 1862, in Hampton Roads, Virginia, who, aged 91, died August 13, 1930; uniforms of General Joseph A. Armfield of the First Regiment, N. C. U. S. Infantry in the War with Spain, from Mrs. R. M. Chatham, Elkin; Confederate soldier's shoes, April, 1865, from Mrs. Ethel Stronach, Raleigh; certificate of graduation (1815) of students in the Raleigh Academy, presented by Charles M. Busbee; Bible of Mrs. Mary Pettigrew Brown, a sister of General James Johnston Pettigrew, C. S. A., a nurse in Chimborazo Confederate Hospital, Richmond, 1862-65, from Mrs. Alfred Williams, Raleigh; record book, 55th Regiment, C. S. A., of Captain P. M. Mull; "extra" of the Raleigh Standard newspaper, June, 1861, with

the first news of the Battle of Bull Run, in Virginia; shell fired by Federal Troops at the Sixth Regiment, N. C. State Troops, in the battle of Manassas, Virginia, June 20, 1861; certificate of honor, signed by President Wilson, of private George W. Galloway, of the Fourth Trench Mortar Battery, killed in service in France, from his sister, Mrs. Ida Galloway Chambers; the "Story of the Old Virginia Dare Trail," in old Albemarle County, by Rev. Dr. Robert Brent Drane, of Edenton; two photographs of the battlefield of Bentonville, made by Joseph A. Holmes; Masonic Implements, carved out of wood and used by Masonic Army Lodge "A," in France and Belgium, 1917-18, presented by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Chair made of three kinds of wood, of Governor Richard Caswell, which was bequeathed by his daughter, Mrs. White, to Mrs. Bettie Mills, of Raleigh, left by the latter in her will to Fred A. Olds, and deposited by him in the Governor's Mansion, and received by Gov. Gardner; many World War relics of Captain Thomas Rickard Darden, of the U. S. Tank Corps, left by him to the Hall of History.

Photographs of painting made by Robert F. Cope, of Gastonia, of the Battle of King's Mountain, S. C., (near the North Carolina line); water-color of the Governor's Mansion at Raleigh in 1842, when John M. Morehead was governor, made from an old picture in the Hall of History, presented by Alva Burton Konkle; Confederate rosette of silk, worn May 20, 1861, when North Carolina seceded from the Union, presented by Mrs. Alfred Williams; bullets fired in the battle on Roanoke Island in 1861; photograph made in 1901 of Cherokee Indians in the 69th North Carolina regiment, Confederate troops, commanded by Col. William H. Thomas (the flag of this regiment is in the Western Hall of History); photograph of the memorial of bronze on granite placed at Hunter's Lodge, south of Raleigh, near the Airport, marking the place where Gov. William Tryon's "army" of 2,500 men encamped in 1771, on its march against the "Regulators" in Orange County; engraving of British Ambassador Lord Bryce, who spoke in Raleigh, 1909; photograph of Judge Walter Clark and Commissioner of Agriculture William A. Graham at the grave of Revolutionary General and Governor William Richardson Davie, in Lancaster County, S. C., in 1913; photograph of Col. William Lawrence Saunders, Secretary of State of N. C. and compiler of the *Colonial Records of North Carolina*.

Fourteen photographs of Fort Caswell, near Wilmington, received from State Forester J. S. Holmes; photograph of Captain Samuel A. Ashe made at Charleston, S. C., in early 1861 when he joined the Confederate States Army; picture of the noted Cherokee Indian Chief Junaluska, from a daguerrotype made in 1850; early Scotch chinaware, 1750, from Miss Kanella J. Brady, of Wilmington; Greek flag, presented by North Carolina Greek soldiers in the World War to the State in September, 1931; photograph of the "Chimes" memorial tower, presented to the State University, 1931, by Rufus L. Patterson and John Motley Morehead; a receipt for the U. S. "Direct Tax" on property in 1817, by Rev. R. B. Drane.

Photograph of the cotton mill in Alamance County, built by W. M. Holt, in 1837, presented by Governor Thomas M. Holt; photograph of John A. Lisk of Mt. Gilead, a pallbearer of Gen. "Stonewall" Jackson; photograph of the first office of the Wilmington & Weldon railway, 1837, from Dr. William J. Hawkins; three-inch shells from the last battle of the war of 1861-65, at Bentonville; large photograph of Colonel Joseph Hyde Pratt, commanding the 105th U. S. Engineer Regiment, presented by him; two hand-made iron spindles, for the first cotton mill in North Carolina, in Lincoln County, 1816, built for Michael Schenck and Absalom Warlick; photograph of the statue of Governor Charles Brantley Aycock (1901-1905) in the Hall of Fame in the Capitol at Washington; large photograph of portrait of Gen. Robert E. Lee, as colonel commanding the United States Military Academy, at West Point, 1852-55, presented by the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

China plate of Governor Richard Caswell, an heirloom from his great-great-granddaughter, Mrs. C. C. Dawson of Candor, N. C.; scarf of native silk, made by Mrs. William Watters, Wilmington, N. C., presented by her; spurs of Col. Henry King Burgwyn, commanding the 26th North Carolina Regiment, killed at Gettysburg, July 1, 1863, presented by his brother, Col. W. H. S. Burgwyn; large photograph by Collier Cobb of the portrait of President James Knox Polk in the State University, at Chapel Hill; the Congressional medal-of-honor awarded Robert Lester Blackwell, the highest honor awarded a North Carolina soldier in the World War, this going to his father James B. Blackwell, a Confederate soldier, in 1920, he giving the decoration to his son, O. D. Blackwell of Cedar Grove, Orange County, and the latter presenting it to the Hall of History, April 23, 1932.

The two-year period has been marked by a record number of visits of college and public school teachers and pupils. The number of these institutions which sent groups reached the high figure of 337, embracing 29,000 persons, very few of these under the 7th grade, and all of the 100 counties were represented.

In addition to visitors from North Carolina schools, many came from other states. Special literature was secured for all comers. Of the *Prison News*, published by the State Prison, carrying North Carolina historical stories, thousands of copies were distributed, and more of this valuable material appears each month.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED A. OLDS,
Collector, Hall of History.

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE LIBRARY

The work of the Legislative Reference Library for the period of this report is set forth in the following report of Mr. Henry M. London, Legislative Reference Librarian:

RALEIGH, N. C., JULY 1, 1932.

DR. A. R. NEWSOME, *Secretary*,
North Carolina Historical Commission,
Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Sir:

I beg to submit herewith a report of the work of the Legislative Reference Library from July 1, 1930, to June 30, 1932.

During the foregoing period the following publications have been prepared and distributed among state and county officials and a large number of interested citizens throughout the State:

1. Following the 1930 election, a *Directory of State and County Officials* containing 82 pages was published and distributed. This booklet continues to be in great demand and it is hoped that its biennial publication may be continued.

2. The *North Carolina Manual for 1931*, containing 230 pages. Due to lack of finances it was necessary to reduce the size and scope of this edition, but the essential material bearing on the political and civic life of the State of peculiar interest to our legislators and other public officials was retained. Publication of the booklet containing the official vote was omitted, since this information was contained in the *Manual*.

3. *Bulletin No. 9*, 52 pages, containing amendments to the Consolidated Statutes enacted at the 1931 session of the General Assembly. The chapters which, in terms or in effect, amend certain chapters, sections, or sub-sections of the Consolidated Statutes have been brought forward in this bulletin and arranged according to the section number of the Consolidated Statutes. In each case, the chapter number is given so that reference may be made to the session laws.

4. In June, 1931, a *Court Calendar* covering the biennium, July 1, 1931, to June 30, 1933, was prepared and published and distributed to court officials, practicing attorneys and others interested. This publication has long been regarded as indispensable by judges, solicitors and lawyers in keeping up with the changes in the term of court made at each session of the legislature. So great was the demand for this calendar that the limited supply printed was exhausted within a few months after its publication.

Information was compiled and prepared for the State Board of Elections and widely distributed, explanatory of the several constitutional amendments voted on in the November election in 1930, relating to

1. Increasing the number of Supreme Court Justices from five to seven.
2. Creation of solicitorial districts.
3. Classification of property for taxation.
4. Referendum authorizing issuing of World War Veterans Loan Bonds.

A number of other matters of a legislative nature have been compiled for municipalities and persons throughout the State.

During the 1931 session of the General Assembly, 600 bills were drafted for legislators and much assistance rendered them in securing information desired on various matters of proposed legislation. This form of service is being appreciated more and more at each session of the Legislature.

Following the State Primary held June 4, 1932, a list of legislative nominees of the two parties was compiled and published.

After each November election a list of the newly-elected members of the General Assembly is printed.

A complete index of the Public Local and Private Acts of the General Assembly of recent years is now being prepared. When completed, this index will greatly facilitate the looking up of laws of a public, local and private nature.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY M. LONDON.

Legislative Reference Librarian.

FINANCES

The expenditures of the Historical Commission are made from biennial legislative appropriations, as allotted quarterly by the Budget Bureau. Expenditures during each year of the biennium were less than the appropriations. The appropriations of 1930-31 and 1931-32 were cut more than 20 per cent and 30 per cent, respectively, by the Budget Bureau. The following classified table shows the appropriations and expenditures for each year of the biennium:

	1930-1931		1931-1932	
	Appropriation	Expenditure	Appropriation	Expenditure
Personal Service.....	\$ 20,585.00	\$ 20,134.75	\$ 18,449.00	\$ 17,667.28
Supplies.....	250.00	249.28	320.00	118.22
Postage, Telegrams, Telephone, Express, Drayage.....	610.00	607.98	570.00	248.98
Travel.....	400.00	269.09	200.00	86.83
Printing and Binding.....	9,425.00	6,837.25	5,075.00	1,209.75
Repairs.....	50.00	8.95	40.00	9.50
Historical Markers.....	1,000.00			
Equipment.....	4,000.00		3,250.00	87.00
Historical Review.....	2,500.00	2,400.00	2,076.00	772.50
Manuscripts.....	1,000.00	77.00	500.00	181.73
Totals.....	\$ 39,820.00	\$ 30,584.30	\$ 30,480.00	\$ 20,381.79
Receipts.....		494.61		540.67
Net Expenditures from Appropriation.....		\$ 30,089.69		\$ 19,841.12
Total for Historical Work.....	\$ 31,345.00	24,059.64	\$ 25,345	15,879.28
Total for Legislative Reference Library.....	8,475.00	6,524.66	5,135	4,502.51

RECOMMENDATIONS

The official records of the various town, city, county and state offices constitute the chief monuments of North Carolina's past. They possess great value as business and historical records. The effective daily operation of the business of government, large property interests, the validity of land titles, the settlement of disputes over property, the

adjudication of civil and criminal actions, and, to a great extent, private loans, the collection of private debts, and the administration of public revenue depend upon them. These records, those in current business use and those of the past which no longer have current business use, are of the utmost value to historians in reconstructing the history of individuals, families, institutions, communities and state. As business and historical records they merit preservation and availability for use.

The failure of North Carolina to make systematic provision for the preservation of public records has resulted in untold losses from fire, water, rats, carelessness, deliberate destruction to make space for rapid accumulations of new records, and by gifts and unreturned loans by public officials to private individuals. If the State would have its history written with reasonable completeness and accuracy, it must provide for the care and preservation of the written records of its life. Thousands of precious old volumes and documents of county, state and personal records have been collected, preserved and, to a limited extent, published by the Historical Commission; and much of their contents has come to light in the numerous articles and volumes of historians published during the past generation. But great quantities of old records now lie in basements, attics, and other unsuitable places, inaccessible, uncared for, forgotten, and subject to the ravages of dust, water, fire and vermin; and the current records in many cases face a future made insecure by the use of improper paper and ink and unsafe filing methods and facilities.

The experience of those states most successful in the care of public records and the concensus of expert opinion indicate that the enactment of state public records laws is the proper approach to the solution of the problem of public archives. In view of the absence of such legislation and the great need for it as indicated by the present condition of the public records in North Carolina, the Historical Commission recommends the passage of a public records law incorporating all or as many as possible of the following provisions:

1. A clear definition of public records or archives.
2. Definite location of legal custody and responsibility.
3. Use of durable ink and paper in the making of public records.
4. Duty of custodian as to fireproof filing facilities, arrangement of records for use, and proper care of worn or mutilated records.
5. Requirement that legal custodians supply certified copies of records.
6. Requirement that retiring officers deliver all public records to their successors.
7. Requirement that legal custodians recover public records from private possession.
8. Prohibition of the destruction and abuse of public records.
9. Assignment of the duty of general supervision and recommendation to the Historical Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Raleigh, N. C.
July 1, 1932

A. R. NEWSOME,
Secretary.

